

State of Georgia

Chatham County } In the name of God Amen, I Charles
 Shaffer of the City of Savannah and State and County
 aforesaid, being at present in good health and of sound
 mind and memory and understanding, but fully
 aware of the uncertainty of human life do make ordain
 and declare this to be my Last will and Testament
 in manner and form as follows - I will and
 desire that my Estate be kept together, until my just
 debts are paid, with the exception of my Stock in trade
 my negroes which is my desire that my Executors dispose
 of my Stock in trade with as little delay as possible
 either at Public or Private Sale to the best advantage
 and with all or each of my negroes as they may deem
 most advisable and pay off all my just debts as
 soon as possible Satisfactory proof that those demands
 are paid 1st I desire that my Executors do allow out
 of my Estate a sufficient amount for a ^{decent} maintenance
 during her natural life of Margaret Lawrence the
 Sister of my deceased wife 2nd - I give devise and
 bequeath to Helen Est Shaffer daughter of my Brother
 George Shaffer of the City of New York Five hundred
 dollars to be put out at interest for her own use and
 benefit and also and not subject to debts or control
 of my Husband should she form an alliance in
 marriage or or before my decease 3 - I desire that
 my Estate at my death that I may die possessed of
 be administered, and after complying with my Request
 as above stated - I give to my daughter Elizabeth
 Annanda Davis and her children One third of my
 Estate not subject to any debts of her Husband 4th - I
 give and bequeath to my son George Washington Shaffer
 One third of my Estate to his proper use & benefit forever
 5th - I give and bequeath to my youngest daughter
 Anne Margaret Shaffer and not to be subject for
 debt to my Husband she may have, should she
 marry, should either my son or daughter when single
 at the time die without lawful heirs then their propor-
 tion shall be divided between the then Surviving - Lastly
 I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my son
 George Washington Shaffer and John E Davis, husbands
 of my daughter Elizabeth Annanda Davis my Executors
 to my Last Will and Testament, revoking my former
 will, and I do enjoin on my Executors to execute this
 my will in its fullest effect as I have expressed it
 agreeable to my wishes and intention & desire no other
 Construction be put upon it, done at Savannah this
 Eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord
 One thousand Eight hundred and forty four

and the twenty second year of the Independence
of the United States of America

Read and sealed, published
and delivered by the Testa-
tor as his Last will &
Testament contained in
this sheet of paper in
the presence of each other
who in the presence of said
Testator have subscribed our
names as witnesses thereto

Jacob Shaffer (S)

Alexander S. Rayford
Charles H. Knapp
L. V. Fulligant

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Chatham County } Present John Billo Esq. Ordinary
for the County of Chatham - Personally appeared
Louis S. Fulligant a subscribing witness to the aforesaid
instrument of writing, certifying to be the Last
Will and Testament of Jacob Shaffer late of Chatham
County deceased, who being duly sworn deposed and
said that he was present and did see the said
instrument duly executed by the said Jacob Shaffer
and deponent further saith that the said Jacob
Shaffer at the time of executing the said instrument
of writing, was to the best of deponent's knowledge
and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory
and understanding, and that he Louis S. Fulligant
(the deponent) and Alexander S. Rayford and Charles
H. Knapp in the presence of each other and of the
said Jacob Shaffer and at his request signed
their names as witnesses to the due execution of
the same

L. S. Fulligant

Sworn to before me this
third day of April 1859
John Billo
C.C.C.

I George W. Shaffer do solemnly swear that this writing
contains the true Last Will of the within named Jacob
Shaffer deceased, so far as I know or believe, and
that I will well truly execute the same, by paying first
the debts and then the Legacies contained in the said will
as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend
and the Law charge me, and that I will make a true
and correct inventory of all such goods and chattels
as shall be due to me God

Geo W Shaffer

Sworn to before me this third
day of April 1859 John Billo
C.C.C.